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To Whom it may concern:

In answer to a letter from me, Congressman Patrick J. Toomey of PA (15th district) has informed me that in order to voice my concern to you over Internet access charges I should refer to CC Docket No. 99-68.

I would definitely like to voice my concern. I am a senior citizen who cares for a handicapped husband. One of my few pleasures is having access to the Internet where I can "visit" with friends. Some I've known many years and have moved away. Others I have met recently through the senior chat room.

We senior citizens are, for the most part, on fixed incomes with many medical bills not covered with HMO. Is the FCC going to impose yet another hardship for the people who helped keep this country going in hard times? We are on the losing end of every stick, it seems to me.

How can we, as concerned citizens prevent having one of our few pleasures taken away from us? It will be much too costly for the majority of people I have spoken to. What is the reason for this charge? To make the already rich utility companies even richer? IF too many people give up their computers and those who keep them use them less I would think it would defeat the purpose. It could also backfire on some companies who got into the business expressly to accommodate PC users.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. I hope you will please consider the older and less fortunate people in this country in your decision.
If possible, I would really appreciate hearing from you regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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